

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Page 12, before claim 1, replace the single word heading CLAIMS with the following heading:

CLAIMS WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. (Currently Amended) ~~Winder~~ A winder comprising with a contacting roller ~~(10)~~, which can be placed against the periphery of a reel ~~(14)~~, ~~characterized in that~~ , wherein the contacting roller ~~(10)~~ is divided at least into two roller segments ~~(46, 34)~~, of which at least one ~~(34)~~ roller segment has an engaging mechanism ~~(38, 40)~~, with which it can be engaged and disengaged independently of a different roller segment ~~(46)~~.

2. (Currently Amended) The winder of claim 1, wherein ~~characterized in that~~ the contacting roller ~~(10)~~ can be shifted axially relatively to the reel ~~(14)~~.

3. (Currently Amended) The winder of claim 1, ~~claims 1 or 2~~, ~~characterized by~~ further comprising at least one slice-cutting knife ~~(62)~~, each of which is divided into at least two knife segments ~~(94, 95)~~, of which at least one can be displaced

independently of the other.

4. (Currently Amended) The winder of claim 11, ~~claims 2 and 3~~, characterized in that the wherein each divided slice-cutting knife ~~(62)~~ can be shifted axially relatively to the reel ~~(14)~~ jointly with the divided contacting roller ~~(10)~~.

5. (Currently Amended) The winder of claim 11, ~~one of the claims 3 or 4~~, characterized in that the wherein each slice-cutting knife ~~(62)~~ and the contacting roller ~~(10)~~ are divided at the same axial position.

6. (Currently Amended) The winder of claim 1, ~~one of the preceding claims~~, characterized in wherein:

the contacting roller includes ~~that~~ a main roller segment ~~(46)~~ and at least one subsidiary roller segment ~~(34)~~ of ~~the contacting roller (10)~~, each having a contacting mechanism ~~(38, 40)~~ are disposed at an oscillating link ~~(26)~~,

~~that~~ each subsidiary roller segment ~~(34)~~ can be shifted with its contacting mechanism ~~(38, 40)~~ independently of ~~the~~ other roller segments of the contact roller ~~(34, 46)~~ into a first position and a second position, for which the subsidiary roller segment ~~(34)~~, in the first position, is aligned axially with the main roller segment ~~(46)~~ and, in the second position, is removed

further than the main roller segment ~~(46)~~ from the reel ~~(14)~~, and ~~that~~, depending on the positions of the contacting mechanisms ~~(38, 40)~~ of the subsidiary roller segments ~~(34)~~, the main roller segment ~~(46)~~ or the main roller segment ~~(46)~~ and at least one ~~of the~~ subsidiary roller segment ~~segments~~ ~~(34)~~ can be placed suddenly against the reel ~~(14)~~ or a core ~~(13)~~ of a reel ~~(14)~~.

7. (Currently Amended) The winder of claim 6, further comprising a pneumatic cylinder for placing ~~characterized in that~~ the main roller segment ~~(46)~~ or the main roller segment ~~(46)~~ and at least one ~~of the~~ subsidiary roller segment ~~segments~~ ~~(34)~~ can ~~be placed suddenly~~, through pivoting of the oscillating link ~~(26)~~ ~~by means of a pneumatic cylinder (52)~~, against the reel ~~(14)~~ or a core ~~(13)~~ of a reel ~~(14)~~.

8. (Currently Amended) The winder of claim 3, ~~7 and one of the claims 3 to 5, characterized in that~~ wherein the at least one divided slice-cutting knife ~~(62)~~ is disposed in such a manner with respect to the contacting roller ~~(10)~~, so that a sheet ~~(12)~~, which is passed between the contacting roller ~~(10)~~ and a core ~~(72)~~ of ~~the~~ a second reel ~~(75)~~ and wound on ~~a~~ the first mentioned reel ~~(14)~~ and, by ~~the~~ a sudden placement of at least a ~~one~~ main roller segment ~~(46)~~ against the core ~~(72)~~ of the

second reel ~~(75)~~, is clamped between the engaged roller segments ~~(46, 34)~~ and the core ~~(72)~~ of the second reel, can be severed by a simultaneous displacement of the appropriate knife segments ~~(94, 95)~~ at a place between the core ~~(72)~~ of the second reel ~~(75)~~ and the first reel ~~(14)~~.

9. (Currently Amended) The winder of claim 8,
~~wherein characterized in that, if the axes of the core~~
~~(72) of the second reel (75) and of the divided contacting roller~~
~~(10) are disposed in an essentially horizontal plane,~~
~~further comprising the sheet (12) can be supplied by~~
~~means of suitably disposed turn-around rollers (58, 60) for~~
~~supplying the sheet~~ from above as well as from below ~~the a~~ gap
between the divided contacting roller ~~(10)~~ and the core ~~(72)~~ of
the second reel ~~(75)~~, and
~~wherein the at least one a~~ divided slice-cutting knife
~~(62) is disposed above as well as below the divided contacting~~
~~roller (10).~~

10. (Currently Amended) The winder of claim 6, ~~2 and one~~
~~of the claims 6 to 9, characterized in that wherein the~~
oscillating link ~~(26)~~ with the roller segments ~~(46, 34)~~ and, if
present, ~~the~~ knife segments ~~(94, 95)~~, can be adjusted jointly and
axially relative to the reel ~~(14, 72)~~ by a distance of at least

half of ~~the~~ an axial ~~extend~~ extent of a subsidiary roller segment
(34).

11. (New) The winder of claim 2, further comprising at least one slice-cutting knife, each of which is divided into at least two knife segments, of which at least one can be displaced independently of the other.